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Two members of the Chapman University faculty -- Dr. Jennifer Keene, Professor and Chair of History, and Dr. Atanas Radenski, Professor of Computer Science -- have been awarded prestigious Fulbright Fellowships for 2008-2009.

The author of three acclaimed books on World War I including the award-winning *Doughboys, the Great War, and the Remaking of America* Dr. Keene has been awarded a Fulbright Senior Scholarship by the Australian American Fulbright Commission. As one of only five Fulbright awards given annually for research in Australia, Dr. Keene joins a select group of 2,000 Americans who have been named Fulbright Scholars to Australia during the past 59 years. The Australian Defence Force Academy and The University of New South Wales in Canberra, Australia will host Dr. Keene during her tenure as a Fulbright scholar. She will spend the 2009 academic year interacting with Australian scholars and researching materials in the Australian War Memorial and Australian National Archives for her project, "Soldiers of Empire: World War I and the World." This study analyzes the experiences of soldiers who came from European colonial and commonwealth holdings to understand how the war shaped national, ethnic, and racial identities, creating a new political dynamic, both domestically and internationally, that left a lasting imprint on soldiers, their societies, and the world.

This is Dr. Keene's second Fulbright. She also received a Fulbright Senior Scholar Award for France in 1998, which she used to complete a study on West African and African Americans soldiers in World War I.

Dr. Radenski has been named a Fulbright Scholar in Bulgaria by the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board, the Presidential appointed governing body of the Fulbright Program. This noteworthy award attests to Dr. Radenski's reputation and accomplishments as an international scholar. The Fulbright Scholar grant is a prestigious addition to Dr. Radenski's portfolio of multi-year research awards for more than \$400,000 previously granted by the National Science Foundation, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, and other agencies. Dr. Radenski's research has been in the areas of e-learning, object-oriented computing, programming languages, parallel and distributed computing, functional and logic programming, and data bases. His record includes more than 80 scholarly publications.

As a Fulbright scholar, Dr. Radenski will join Sofia University, the oldest and most prestigious university in Bulgaria. This doctoral university is a core participant in several European Union collaborative projects in e-learning and a gateway for collaboration with diverse body of European researchers. Dr. Radenski has already been recognized for his novel digital study packs that promote active e-learning through experimentation and self-discovery. During five-month tenure as a Fulbright Scholar, Dr. Radenski's research goal will be to synthesize generic active e-learning patterns, in interaction with researchers from Sofia University and other European universities. In addition to research, Dr. Radenski will also engage in educational and cultural

activities in the spirit of the Fulbright Program.

Established in 1946 by Arkansas Senator William J. Fulbright to promote the international exchange of knowledge, skills, and ideas, and to improve mutual understanding, the Fulbright Awards are among the most competitive and prestigious grants for scholars in the world today. More than 186,000 Fulbrighters 108,160 from the United States and 178,340 from other countries have participated in the program since its founding over six decades ago. A Fulbright Award recognizes not only scholarly and teaching excellence, but also the commitment of awardees to using their intellectual gifts to make the world a better place. As Fulbrighters, Drs. Keene and Radenski join an elite group of exceptionally accomplished and dedicated faculty members.